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**Genesis 8:22** "While the earth remains, (THAT'S A REALLY LONG TIME) -long time before we get a new heaven and a new earth

Seed-time and harvest, (NATURAL AND SUPERNATURAL LAWS)

Cold and heat, (TEMPERATURE)

**Germination** is directly related to moisture and **temperature**. Germination relies on a number of chemical and physical reactions within the seed, and the speed and success of those reactions is highly temperature dependent. The seeds of each species has a different optimal temperature for germination with a range of minimum and maximum temperatures for the process

So in order for the seed to kickstart and grow it needs HEAT.

Winter and summer, (SEASONS)

And day and night (TIME MONITORING)

Shall not cease." (LAW)

The Lord's mechanism of growth is sowing and reaping. The world mechanism of wealth creation is buying and selling.

We all know that God created the earth, He created day and night and seasons.

## THERE IS:

Spring

Summer

Fall (Autumn)

Winter

Let's unpack what this scripture is speaking about. It's speaking about sowing and reaping. It's speaking about planting a seed and expecting a harvest.

Any farmer will tell you that in order to have a harvest of crops there are certain conditions that you need to follow in order to reap a harvest.

The more see you sow as a farmer, the greater your harvest

Little SEED sown; little harvest reaped

Great SEED sown, great harvest reaped

# THE 3 AREAS THE LORD SPEAKS ABOUT IS:

**SEED** 

TIME

**HARVEST** 

# <u>1) SEED</u>

When you plant a seed or sow a seed you need to make sure what the seed is like. The seed has a quality aspect to it and a value.

**Seed quality** plays an important role in the production of agronomic and horticultural crops. Characteristics such as trueness to variety, germination percentage, purity, vigor, and appearance are important to farmers planting crops and to homeowners establishing lawns and gardens. Achieving and maintaining high seed quality is the goal of every professional seed producer.

Seed quality describes the potential performance of a seed lot.

**Trueness to variety** indicates that the seeds in a bag are of the variety stated on the label. Trueness is usually determined by records of seed sources and by field inspections of the plants that produce the seed. Field inspections are conducted by certification agencies or representatives of commercial seed companies.

**Germination potential** and vigor are at their highest potential when the seed reaches physiological maturity. But because seed moisture is so high, most crops are not ready to be harvested at that time. It is important that seed be harvested as soon as the moisture content decreases to a safe level. After maturity, germination potential and vigor begin to deteriorate.

The quality of a seed lot can be improved by conditioning. Conditioning is used mainly to eliminate or reduce undesirable contaminants such as diseased and immature crop seed, weed seed, inert matter, broken or split seed, or other crop seed. In some crops, conditioning includes the addition of chemical seed treatment.

**DEFINITION OF SEED:** -a flowering plant's unit of reproduction, capable of developing into another such plant.- a <u>small</u>, usually hard <u>part</u> of a <u>plant</u> from which a new <u>plant</u> can <u>grow</u>- the <u>beginning</u> or <u>cause</u> of something:

So we can safely say that without a seed planted into the ground, a plant cannot grow.

WHAT IS THE SEED in the bible?

## Tithes and offerings

#### Malachi 3:8-11

"Will a man rob God?Yet you have robbed Me!But you say,'In what way have we robbed You?'In tithes and offerings. You are cursed with a curse,For you have robbed Me, Even this whole nation. Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house,And try Me now in this,"Says the Lord of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heavenAnd pour out for you such blessingThat there will not be room enough to receive it.

"And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," Says the Lord of hosts;

#### **SOIL CONDITIONS**

WHERE DO YOU PLANT THE SEED? As a farmer you need to plant the SEED in the right soil. Great seed planted in the wrong soil will not take or grow or reap a harvest. As an example apple trees need well drained soil. Light to medium textured soils are best

Fruit trees struggle in heavy clay soil

Poorly drained soils lead to root rot disease

There are 2 kinds of seeds sown into the kingdom of God:

The SEED OF TITHES is sown into your home church Offerings can be sown into your local church or a ministry the Lord instructs you to give into

It is best to be quick to sow your seed where the Lord instructs you to.

#### PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

Write the check and mail it
Do online giving immediately
Or do the wire transfer

Why? The devil comes quickly to steal the seed

# **2) TIME**

In Genesis 22 it speaks about TIME. There is a period of time from the moment you plant your seed till you reap your harvest.

Fruits, vegetables and plants differ from the times they are planted as seed till they grow and produce a harvest.

**Ecclesiastes 3: 1-2, 7, & 11** To everything *there is* a season,A time for every purpose under heaven: ...A time to plant, (TITHES AND OFFERINGS) And a time to pluck *what is* planted; (HARVEST) ...And a time to sew; He has made everything beautiful in its time. (THE RESULT OF THE HARVEST)

**John 9 :4** I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work.

This speaks about sowing when you are able

Psalm 31:15 My times are in Your hand......

The Lord knows the perfect timing for you

**Psalm 90:12** So teach *us* to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom.

It is important to plan our Tithing and sowing

#### WHAT DO WE DO DURING THE TIME?

#### 1) SPEAK LIFE

**Job 22:27-28** You will make your prayer to Him,He will hear you,And you will pay your vows. You will also declare a thing,And it will be established for you;So light will shine on your ways.

Cancel any negative confessions in Jesus name.

## 2) SPEAK FAITH

Mark 11: 22-24 So Jesus answered and said to them, "Have faith in God. For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says. Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them*, and you will have *them*.

### 3) COME TO HIM WITH THANKSGIVING

**Psalm 95:2-3** Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms. For the Lord *is* the great God

**Philippians 4:6-7** Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

# 3) HARVEST

Genesis 8: 22 "While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest

**Galatians 6:7** Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Farmers expect to reap a harvest proportionate to the amount of seed they have sown. They can confidently expect a certain amount.

Harvest is the process or period of gathering in the crops.

The **harvest** is the time when you reap what you have sown.

to accumulate a store of to win by achievement the season for gathering in

**Philippians 4:19** And my God <u>shall supply</u> all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

**Galatians 6:9-10**And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

**Proverbs 3:9-10** Honor the Lord with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase; So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine.